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## SOUTHEAST NOTES.

Frank Eastwood, who shot and seriously wounded a man in Pemiscot county, was captured in a barn where he was in hiding. He is out on \$1000 bail bond.

A delegation from Pemiscot county started to join Coxey, got stranded at Memphis and came home, sadder, if not wiser men.

The Baptist church at Cape Girardeau reports 105 additions during the past winter.

Martin Sasse, who burglarized the De Soto postoffice, got five years in the pen. Inadequate punishment in view of the fact that he is a professional criminal.

De Soto is overrun by hoodlums. The hoodlum element in a town is a terrible nuisance.

Bloomfield has at last become a railroad town, the Missouri Southern having completed its connecting link.

James E. Wilson, familiarly known as "Jim Ike" Wilson, of Jefferson county, was killed on the 19th ult., by being thrown from his road-car, his foot being caught in a lapse in the floor of the car. He was dragged through the woods for over a mile, and was, necessarily, much mangled. He was returning home late from a lodge meeting, and was intoxicated.

De Soto has now thirty "lodges." The price of Billy goats in that city should be "way up."

Bro. J. T. Kendall has been transferred to Wilmington, N. C., by the General Conference at Memphis. We can hardly congratulate Wilmington on its acquisition.

The Jackson Cash Book says it is tired of ring rule—tired of "scheme-tricksters, who spend more time planning how to keep in office than they do thinking how they can best serve the people who elected them."

Editor Ake, of Ironton, is having trouble with his neighbors' dogs. Same here in Benton. The curs must go.

By a singular coincidence the Scott County Newsboy and the Gazette both aimed deadly ticks at the United States Senate last week. Let us take a half minute rest. Bro. Hafner and we'll do the old relic up in the next round.—De Soto Gazette.

Mrs. General Grant visited Ironton last week, and viewed the monument which bears the name of the spot upon which Gen. Grant is said to have received President Lincoln's commission as General. The Cash Book says all that is a fake, and that Grant got said commission on the gravel road a few miles west of Jackson. Go for Mac, Bro. Ake!

Ex-Mayor Charles Stokes, of Dexter, has started his St. Louis Prohibition paper, "The Missouri Voice." Charles has a bit of Frank Mitchell in him.

Contracts for building twenty miles of levee in District No. 2, will be let on the 10th of June, and work is expected to begin by July 1st.

The Charleston Democrat is after the scalp of town officials who permit dens of gamblers and cyprians to exist right under their noses.

Trains are expected to be running on the Chester & Perryville R. R. by August 1st. By the way, where is that other road that Klotz and the other Gould henchmen were to build up that way?

Kennett is to have an Opera House, Brick, of course.

## FROM NEW HAMBURG.

Two earthquake shocks of considerable severity, one at 5:30 p. m. and at midnight, were felt here on Wednesday of last week. The one at midnight was very strong, rocking houses and rattling the dishes in cupboards. This is the fifth quake felt here within the last ten days.

Jacob Blatt constructed a rock sidewalk along the school premises. Aug. Koenig renovated the fence along Main street and whitewashed the entire town.

Frank Bliss visited Benton Saturday.

Frank Finley, of Richwoods, was here visiting his cousin, Constine Grojean, on Saturday. He was en route to attend the Republican convention at Benton.

Peddlers are becoming very numerous and annoying around here. We think it an injustice and intrusion on our merchants, who are tax-payers, and that, by a class of peddlers who do very little towards the support of county and State. We believe in home patronage, and would favor an 8 per cent. income tax from such peddlers whose names do not appear on the tax roll.

David Stehr is constantly turning out new wagons. Our people are beginning to appreciate home-made work and are convinced that it is more durable than factory work, and the cheapest in the long run.

The Hamburg schools closed for summer vacation last Thursday. It's strictly confidential, gents, but, oh, we must adhere to our promise. We thank you for your visits and "hope you will 'get there' just the same."

An infant of Mr. Gangel, living north of town, was buried in St. Lawrence cemetery Tuesday.

Pete Dirnbarger, of Oran, was here on Monday. Pete can't forget his old home, and is bound to come over now and then to keep himself posted with our progress.

Hall and Cooper lands for sale on time payments. Apply to Albert C. Davis, 220 Olive St. St. Louis.

## FROM BLODGETT.

Married, on Sunday at 10 o'clock a. m., at the residence of the bride's parents, Miss Ida Anderson to Mr. Fred McGuire—Rev. Laudermilk performing the ceremony. We wish them a long and happy life with just enough clouds to make sunshine appear bright.

Harry Watkins and Louis Nichols, of Oran, spent Sunday with Harry's parents here.

Prof. Atchison, of Morley, was down Saturday evening.

Judge Jno. E. Marshall went to Sikeston Saturday evening.

Wm. Gassaway, Chas. Bonneton, Lee Lettich and J. N. Hood, of Benton, were down Saturday evening and took in the entertainment. Come again, boys.

Rev. Laudermilk, of Diehlstadt, came up to Blodgett Saturday.

Belle Pinkerton visited relatives here over Sunday.

Geo. Hutchison came up from Bird's Point and spent Sunday here.

Landon Sherril went to Morley last Monday.

Rev. J. E. Anderson and M. Stubblediff went to Charleston Monday.

A party of horsemen visited our peaceful and slumbering village last Friday. The party consisted of remnants of the Dalton gang, no doubt. Don't understand us to say they had the courage, dangerous revolvers, checked pantaloons or the high grade cigarettes the Dalton brotherhood always carried. The most daring thing this crowd did was to deliberately approach and without warning—and disembowel a ferocious, half-grown watermelon. They do not lack manly courage.

The re-organized Ananias club met Sunday at midnight at Tallacholia—Swamp, 3 1/2 miles southeast of Wolf Island. The meeting was called to order by the vice Stumpman and petitions for membership were read from E. W. Bissell, of Poplar Bluff and J. James, of Cairo, to the Investigating Committee.

Bills to the amount of \$81 for refreshments were read, approved and referred to Finance Committee. The vice Stumpman, having fidgeted a letter from "Prof. Goshenlock," the bull-whacking mule-skinner proprietor of the great life-giving salve, wishing us to advertise for him, and to state that, with his, Goshalheine's salve, he can cure any chronic troubles whatever. We would do it if we could, sweet being, but owing to the fullness of our paper and form, we must turn you cruelly away.

We are sorry but the incongruity of the preconsistency of being is somewhat doubted. Bro. Dickerson was elected to the office of "Mail-curious Liar" by an overwhelming majority. Having chewed up all the torbacer and burned up seven panels of Col. James' fence and ate all the refreshments, the club adjourned to meet again on June the 9th. All brothers welcome.

"The New York Book Agent," or "The Miser's Gold," which was presented here Saturday night by the home talent, was well attended and all seemed well satisfied with the play.

## FROM COMMERCE.

Commerce is not rejoicing over their latest ball game, only locating the blame. Look out for our bicycle nine. There is a chip on some of their shoulders, and waiting for some one to knock it off. You should see some of them get on a two-wheeled gait, fold their arms, and let her go.

We came across a crank the other day and here is some of his nonsense: "Those who engage in litigation should pay the expenses of courts, juries, officers, etc."

"To reduce the taxes, reduce the meetings of the Legislature."

"Public roads should be worked by contract."

"Six years to hold office in county, State or United States—afterwards ineligible."

"Salaries of office holders should be no greater than the earnings of the mechanics and farmers."

"Since every man and woman who owns property must pay school taxes, every boy and girl must go to school."

"Allowances against dead men's estates, should be barred after twelve months from the grant of letters."

"Give the women a chance to vote if they want to. Permit them to sign saloon petitions. They are sometimes interested."

## IT DON'T GO THIS YEAR.

The time of the year is at hand when the managers of a barbecue will approach the printer and say: "Give us a good send off. Help us out. Say something about it every week." We have been complying with these requests for six years, and we have failed to see where our end of the profit comes in.

We know of an instance where parties came to this office to get bills printed, for which we charged them \$2.50. By their persistent demands they succeeded in getting at least ten dollars worth of advertising free.

When we attend the barbecue we paid our way just the same as the rest of the folks—or a little more so—and when settling time came the management wanted us to "kick off" the half dollar and make it even cash.

Oh, no; it don't go this year. Our space is our stock in trade, and if you want to use it to boom your bar, because of anything else, you must pay for it. When we attend barbecues we pay our way—you bet! We are prepared to print bills, such as cannot be duplicated between St. Louis and Memphis, and when we print your bills for you, you are entitled to a notice, that's all.

## FROM ORAN.

Rumor says that Mrs. J. W. Clemson, of this place, and Mrs. C. M. Welch, of Diehlstadt, had the best papers on Sunday school work before the convention at Morley last week.

Misses Potter and Mowle, accompanied by Willie McClean, all of Morley, attended church here Sunday night last. Rev. Reeves, on this occasion, showed the congregation how the Indian shakes hands. The Indian holds up his hand and shakes his own but not his neighbors.

Mrs. Frank Jordan and son, of Sikeston, are here on a visit to relatives.

The tower is being decorated today (Tuesday) in honor of the dedication of the Catholic church which occurs tomorrow.

Your scribe's new office will be ready for occupancy in the near future.

Mrs. Ruth Wright is on the sick list.

John Ashley announced for County Judge at large Monday, and withdrew Tuesday.

Charleston was well represented at the dedication Wednesday.

Some of our citizens took in the basket dinner at Batts' schoolhouse last Sunday.

We have two dentists in town this week.

Mr. Miller, of Fredericktown, father-in-law of Dr. W. E. Harris, is here on a visit to relatives.

Col. Gillespie keeps the Oran Democrat in hot water all the time by reminding them that the party is the cause of the present hard times. Our opinion of the matter is as follows: The Republicans who hired Cleveland to betray his party are as much to blame for the trouble as is Cleveland. The man who hires an evil deed done is equally guilty with the perpetrator. So it is a standoff. The crime of these days cannot be laid at any one man's door, but when the day of reckoning comes Cleveland will have a lions share to reckon for.

"Browning," the Artist of Charleston, took a picture of the new Catholic church on Sunday last week. We predict a large sale of this picture.

Ice cream will certainly be plentiful at the picnic grounds to-morrow all the freezers in the neighborhood are being engaged.

Will Meyers, of Sikeston, was here Monday engaging hands to harvest wheat, he will begin next week.

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## Does Advertising Pay?

A book entitled "How to Get Money," published way back in the fifties contains the following on advertising:

"Whatever your occupation or calling may be, if it needs support from the public, advertise it thoroughly and efficiently in some shape or other that will arrest public attention. I freely confess that what success I have had in life may be attributed more to the public press than nearly all other causes combined. There may possibly be occupations that do not require advertising, but I cannot well conceive what they are. Men in business will sometimes tell you that they have tried advertising and it did not pay. This is only when advertising is done sparingly and grudgingly. Home opathies of advertising will not pay. Perhaps, it is like that portion of physic, making the patient sick, but effecting nothing. Advertise liberally and the cure will be permanent. Some say they cannot afford to advertise. They mistake; they cannot afford not to advertise. In this country, where everybody reads the newspapers, it will be seen that these are the cheapest and the best media through which persons can speak to the public, where they are to find their customers. Put on the appearance of business and generally the reality will follow. The farmer plants his seed, and while he is sleeping his corn and potatoes are growing. So with advertising, while you are sleeping or eating or conversing with one of your customers, your advertisement is being read by hundreds and thousands of persons who never saw you or heard of your business, and never would have it not been for your advertisement appearing in the newspapers."—Free Press.

—If you think of buying furniture, it will pay you to inspect the stock of Anderson Bros., at Commerce, and get prices. They can and will save you money.

—Sheriff Tanner took August Bohnhardt to Jackson jail Monday. On the affidavit of Jos. Portis and Mr. G. B. Stubblediff, Bohnhardt was granted a change of venue to Cape county. His case will come up for trial in August.

—So far as we are able to judge the St. Louis Republic under the new editor is not improving either in morals or politics.

—Mr. Arnold's colleagues in Washington warmly congratulated him on his re-nomination by acclamation. He is one of the most popular of the Missouri contingent at the national capital.

—Wednesday was Decoration Day, but what with a big wedding and a big Dedication on hand the occasion was not observed in this neck of woods. Wonder if Mr. Cleveland went off fishing?

—The big makers of Wagons, Road Carts and Buggies have substantial advantages over local makers. Their stock is seasoned and machinery greatly cheapens the manufacture. Heisserer & Miller can supply you with the best goods in that line at prices which will surprise you.

## FROM CALIFORNIA.

We left on the 11th for Los Angeles, traveling through the Sacramento and San Joaquin valleys; the finest kind of farming country, producing in cereals, wheat and barley, and in fruits and nuts almost anything you can mention. We found Los Angeles, only fifteen miles from the coast, the center of the orange country. That city has a population of about 80,000. We made a trip to Redondo, on the coast, on Sunday, and saw the Santa Rosa, a handsome ship. Next day we left for San Diego, passing through orange groves which are said to consist of 200,000 trees, besides 48,000 apricots, 35,000 grapes, 30,000 apples, 25,000 peaches, 22,000 pears, 16,000 figs, 16,000 lemons, 5,000 olives and over 100,000 English walnuts—aggregating almost 500,000 fruit trees. San Diego is a city of some 18,000 population, situated on the coast. We cross the bay to Coronado—where there is a mammoth hotel, springs and other places of interest. Thirty miles from San Diego we struck the Old Mexico line, where, leaving the train, we were put in charge of the famous stage-man, Reuben, dressed in uniform, and went to a Mexican town called Tijuana. Here we had our handkerchiefs stamped with their stamps. Returning to San Diego and thence Los Angeles we left for San Francisco, where we arrived on the morning of the 19th. We ran over the city and over to Oakland on the other side of the bay, where we met Major Wood, an uncle of Major W. L. Wood, and so back to Frisco. At Lone Rock and Cliff House, on the coast south of the city I saw lots of seal, one of them ("Ben Butler") being over 50 years old and weighing some 600 pounds. Suro Hights—a fine park—was visited the same evening. During my time in San Francisco I visited Chinatown, in charge of a guide. Nothing short of living in Hong Kong or Peking could give as good an idea of the "Heathen Chinese" than is to be obtained here, where the Mongolian has a city practically his own, of about 30,000 souls. He has fine stores, fine houses, and near by the meanest kind of stores and the worst character of houses. The opium den flourishes here at its height and "John" has it pretty much his own way the year around. I took quite a fancy to San Francisco. The climate is perfection, and the city is thoroughly cosmopolitan. You can find every nationality here, and as Sam Johnson said, "Ying munks from China to Peru." It is in a sense an education in nationalities. It is refined and it is tough—tough of the toughest.

My next experience will be three days on the Pacific Ocean, en route to Portland, Ore. If I survive the *mal de mer* you will hear from me again.

BEN F. MARSHALL.

## The Situation.

Last week Mayor Hafner (don't that sound big?) notified the property owners of the burnt district of Benton that a cleaning up must take place. Dr. Freeling, H. L. Yeakey and Judge Leedy were appointed a sanitary committee to see that the cleaning up properly done. Monday Mr. Pott came down with a force of men and began work on the mill ponds and the cellar. The ponds were drained and the cellar cleaned out. The engine and boiler will be removed and that will end the talk about the probabilities of Mr. Pott's rebuilding the Benton mill. The article in last week's Newsboy caused the veil to be removed, and this week our people have had an opportunity to get a square "squint" at the situation. What we want is a warehouse—and Gresham & Co., of Charleston, will give it to us.

The Schaefer property has also undergone a cleaning up. The cellar is being cleaned and covered and the property otherwise put in condition to be more healthful.

The good work will still continue until our people are free from breathing whole chunks of impurities.

## Campaign Opening.

I will be at the Owensby school house, Saturday evening June 9, at 8 o'clock, to present my claims to the people. My opponents are invited to be present. Also, all other candidates who wish to attend.

CHAS. S. STONE, Candidate for County Clerk.

—Parties in need of stock peas can secure them at the store of Anderson Bros., Commerce, the next few days on favorable terms, as they need the warehouse room.

—The first barbecue bills of the season were printed for Harmon & Co., who will give an old-time barbecue at the Batts' Schoolhouse, near Little River. They have a reputation for getting things up in good shape and a good time may be expected.

—Anderson Bros., at Commerce, have just opened a large stock of new Spring Goods, and are in the market to win. See them and save money.

—Owing to the lateness of its arrival, we did not get the notice of Fred Coffman's announcement on the editorial page last week, where it properly belonged. However, we hope it was generally noticed.

## FROM MORLEY.

Val. Flesham is at Oran this week attending to business for J. T. Githens. Tod has gone to St. Louis.

Mrs. A. J. Bucklin, who has been quite low with bilious fever, is some better at this writing.

Mr. James Boddy, of Blodgett, was sight seeing here last Sunday.

The strawberry festival was well attended at the Baptist church last Saturday evening and quite a nice sum was raised to help pay the debt of the parsonage.

Morley has at last a full-fledged A. O. U. W. lodge. There are thirty-five members and more coming. The boys say they had a fine time riding the "Billy."

The "Peavine" made a trip over last Sunday bringing Major Brooks, who went up to Delta to do some surveying for the C. G. Road.

A masque social was given at the residence of J. H. Cooper last Saturday evening. All who attended reported having a splendid time.

A large crowd from this place attended the basket dinner at Batts' schoolhouse last Sunday.

"Grand-ma" Daugherty was very sick last week but is some better now, we are glad to state.

Mr. Watts moved his family over from Poplar Bluff Monday, and will be a Morleyite for a while.

Dr. Gupton and family left last week for Siloam Springs, where they go to spend the summer.

Quite a crowd attended the dedication services at Oran last Wednesday.

## Dedication at Oran.

The dedication of the Oran Catholic church took place Wednesday morning. At 8 o'clock mass services were held, with Father Brandt, of Charleston, Father Bettles, of Leopold, Father Kern, of Jackson, Father Furlong, of New Madrid and Father Eshman, of Cairo, officiating. The dedication sermons were delivered by Father Eshman, in English, and by Father Bettles, in German. The sermons were excellent, and all present were satisfied beyond expectations.

Although the weather appeared threatening, the crowds continued to come in, and by noon many hundreds of people were present. An excellent dinner was served, at which the editor foundered himself. After dinner an album was voted to the most prominent candidates present, and when prizes were sent us, Al. Harrison carried off the album, with Will H.isserer a close second.

The Catholic church at Oran is certainly a great credit to the town, and speaks volumes in favor of the energy and enterprise of its people. The structure is 36x55, and twenty-four feet high. It was designed by G. W. Folkes, of Charleston, and built by J. O. Hess, of Oran.

—It is conceded, by all who enter our office, that we have the best equipped printing house in this section of the state. We carry in stock an immense quantity of stationery, and when persons send us work we are always prepared to do it without delay. We carry large supplies of wedding invitations, ball programs, visiting cards, invitation folders, plain and gilt edged cards, letter heads, note heads, statements, bill heads, memorandum heads, envelopes of all sizes, hand bills, plain and colored posters, and all kinds of plain and fancy stationery, which we can furnish in lots of from one to fifty thousand on short notice and at prices that will surprise you. We do not run over to the postoffice to buy paper when we get an order for work but buy from manufacturers direct, in 100,000 lots—thereby obtaining the best qualities for the least money. The Newsboy is "on top" with a big "T," and we are proud of our patronage. However, our success has not caused us to become afflicted with the big head, so when you come in, squat yourself in the easiest chair, and spit on the wall.

—The basket dinner at Chewing's Chapel last Sunday drew quite a crowd of people, and everybody seemed to have a "real nice time." Bros. Brooks and Smith, with some outside assistance, held forth the edification of the sinful, and incidentally raked in the stray nickels, dimes, quarters and halves of the crowd and the candidates. Of the latter we noticed Messrs. Coffman, Stone, Ellis, McPheeters, Evans and Hinkle.

The weather was fine, but the roads were tiresomely dusty. Campaign year is good for the basket dinner business.

—We are in receipt of a handsomely got up invitation to the 34th Annual Commencement of the State University at Columbia, which will take place June 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th, and 7th, 1894.

—Thursday, the 31st ult., was in the morning cold enough for March—indeed we had much warmer weather then. A chilly north wind prevailed, and if melons made any growth it must have been blownward, dry weather with the cold is making our farmers shake their heads. At the clerk of the weather they shake their fists.

—Hereafter the "Peavine" will make one round trip of Sundays, leaving Commerce at 10:30 in the morning and returning in the evening. They will also carry the mail, and postmasters are requested to have mails ready. There is also a slight change in the time card, which appears this week.

—The Coxey movement—dragging one foot after the other over a dirt road.

## FOURTEENTH DISTRICT.

### Hon. Marsh Arnold Unanimously Renominated for Congress.

West Plains, Mo., May 29.—The Congressional Convention of the Fourteenth Missouri District was held in this place to-day. L. O. Hailley of Douglas County was made permanent chairman and David C. Cunningham of Ripley County permanent secretary. Every county in the district answered to the roll call.

Hon. W. N. Evans of Howell county, holding a proxy from one of the western counties, put in nomination Hon. Marshall Arnold. Hon. J. J. Russell of Mississippi County seconded the nomination in an able speech. There being no other names put before the convention, Arnold's nomination was made unanimous. The following resolutions were introduced and adopted:

"Resolved, That we, the duly authorized delegates representing the free Democratic votes of the Fourteenth Missouri Congressional District, indorse the platform adopted by the late Democratic State Convention at Kansas City. And further:

"Resolved, That we do most heartily approve the course of our Representative in Congress, Hon. Marshall Arnold, and earnestly indorse his speeches and votes upon all public questions.

"Resolved, That we reannounce our adherence to tariff reform, the income tax, free silver and the repeal of the Federal election laws.

The nominee of the convention was not present, but sent the following dispatch, which was read before the convention:

Gentlemen of the Convention: The banking bill is now under discussion and the anti-option measure follows. These are subjects of great concern to our people, and while I am keenly disappointed in not meeting with you, I feel to do so at this time would be inexcusable neglect of public duty. Thanking you for generous confidence and support, and extending my heartfelt wishes for your future success and happiness, I again submit my candidacy to your hands, pledging you, if nominated, my unstinted efforts for the success of Democratic principles.

Your humble servant.

(Signed) "MARSH ARNOLD."

The proceedings of the convention were harmonious.—St. Louis Republic.

## HYMENIAL.

"The ring is on." The With thou asked, and again the With thou asked, of out of twin her sweet I will have made ye one.

Tuesday morning, the 29th ult., witnessed, at St. Lawrence's church, New Hamburg, the nuptials of Chas. Profit to Miss Ludovca, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Heisserer, of Benton. Bride and bridegroom are both quite popular with our people, and a large number of spectators witnessed the impressive rite, which was performed by Father Scherer in his own handsome manner.

The groom was attended by Mike Heisserer and Mike Bollinger; the bridesmaids being Misses Lilly Profit and Bertha Heisserer.

After the ceremony the happy pair with their relatives and more immediate friends drove to the residence of the bride's parents, where a fine repast was enjoyed and the balance of the day was spent in the social amenities befitting the occasion. The Benton Harp Band treated them to a serenade at night, and it is needless to say they were well entertained. Mr. and Mrs. Profit are now engaged in housekeeping at his farm east of Benton and enjoy the best wishes of their troops of friends.

## Republican Convention.

The Republicans of Scott county held a convention at the courthouse in Benton last Saturday and chose delegates to the State convention at Excelsior Springs and the Congressional convention at Cape Girardeau.

To State convention, delegates, L. P. Clymer, H. W. Dodge, Robt. Finley, Jr., alternates, T. J. Pool, W. E. Ward, W. J. Worsley. To Congressional convention, delegates, Wm. Ballentine, L. L. Profit, A. L. Franklin; alternates, J. H. Cooper, R. H. Quarry, G. E. Clark.

The following were selected as County Central Committee for the ensuing two years: Commerce wwp, W. H. Hutton, Keiso, R. W. Finley Jr., Moneland, L. L. Profit, Sylvania, J. D. Gillespie, Morley, J. E. Congleton, Richland, Geo. McCoy, Sandyland, Chas. Halstead, Tywapity John Rushing.

G. H. Cooper, Chairman. W. E. Ward, Secretary.

## FROM DIEHLSTADT.

Too cold and too dry for anything to grow.

John Rushing is having two nice frame houses built, which will add to the appearance of the town.

Joe Watkins went to Cairo on business this week.

"Uncle" Ike Akers died on the 26th ult., at the age of 72. He was a Democrat of the old type and much esteemed. The funeral procession was one fourth of a mile long. His wife who has also passed her 72nd year, survives him, also grown up children. Mrs. Akers is left in good circumstances. We will all miss Mr. Akers very much, he being one of the land marks in this community. Peace to the old man's dust.

—Heisserer & Miller are in front as usual with superior articles in Wagons, Road Carts and Buggies. They handle only the best stock and at prices which compete with those asked by city houses and agents.

## (NOT) FROM BLODGETT.

Ed. Newsboy.—Inasmuch as I have been absent from the columns of the only paper now on earth for more than two months, which is by six weeks the longest time you have missed my fulminations for four years. During this time various diseases similar to the itch, scratches, mange, etc., have devastated the country at large, and the onslaughts, of the various Blodgettists who held the news down for the original and only "Little Chicago" of Scott county, and gave way to his impressive emotion in a fashionable manner. I remember being away from home one time and the landlady asked me if I wore false teeth, and on receiving a negative answer said something in an undertone to the waiter. I asked why she wished to know about my molars, and she said "On account of the beef." I feed liver to the guests who wear store teeth and steak, to those who have homemade teeth, and when the beef came I found she was correct in her diagnosis.

I heard from the Ananias club a week or so ago. I left Blodgett March 25th, and when the gang found I was gone for four or five months they called a special meeting at the office of the Electric Light plant and passed various resolutions appropriate to the occasion and decorated the beefsteak in bunting of seven different colors, and had my usual space in the official organ, the Newsboy, filled with one of Spurgeon's sermons. I see that the club has a new hand at the bellows to give them wind, but still the writer's names begin with S, which reminds us of the German who in buying books said it was lucky that his four boys' names began with this same letter. S.—Siam, Shalshim, Shm, and Sherry. [Laughter and applause see Congressional Record.]

In the wilds of Dunklin County—the home of the wild untamed and unfettered H. N. Phillips, who so successfully failed to clean up Hon. Marsh Arnold with the universe and such other debris as he could find, about two weeks ago, I was eating dinner in a clearing and along came the eldest son, the boys and the